CITY OF NORWAY NORWAY, MICHIGAN

JANUARY 5, 2004 **REGULAR MEETING**

REGULAR MEETING The City Council of the City of Norway met in regular session at 8:10 P.M., Monday, January 5, 2004 at the Norway City Hall with Mayor Bal presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Mayor Bal led the Council and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

ROLL CALL

Members present were: Bal, Dierkens, Hayes, Mason Schultz

OTHERS PRESENT

Others present were: Ray Anderson, City Manager/ Clerk; Karl Zueger, Utilities Director, Jay Olivares, City Attorney; Trisha Plante, Deputy Clerk, John J. Jarecki Jr, Chief of Police; Joe Pickart, Electric Department Supervisor; Doni Mae Rauch, The Current; Lisa Reed, The Daily News and 27 citizens.

MINUTES

APPROVE 04-001 A motion was made by Council Member Mason, supported by Council Member Dierkens and unanimously approved to accept the minutes of the December 15, 2003 regular meeting with the following corrections:

- C03-227 Mayor George Bal voted no on approving manifest #2003-24 in the amount of \$151,574.59.
- C03-229 Motion was approved to close Public Hearing (not continue).

MANIFEST

APPROVE 04-002 A motion was made by Council Member Bal, supported by Council Member Schultz and unanimously approved manifest #2004-01 in the amount of \$297,591.68.

INTO PUBLIC HEARING

ENTER 04-003 A motion was made by Council Member Mason, supported by Council Member Dierkens, and unanimously approved to close regular session and enter into Public Hearing as the Zoning Board of Appeals to discuss 1404 6th Avenue - variation for Patricia Richtig.

PUBLIC HEARING ENTER BACK INTO REGULAR SESSION

CLOSE 04-004 A motion was made by Council Member Mason, supported by Council Member Dierkens and unanimously approved to close Public Hearing and enter back into regular session.

APPROVE 04-005 A motion was made by Council Member Mason, RESOLUTION supported by Council Member Schultz, and VARIATION unanimously approved variation for 1404 6^{th} 1404 6^{TH} AVE Avenue - Patricia Richtig.

PUBLIC Patricia Cazzola COMMENT Ronald Wickman

COUNCIL COMMENT

Dierkens - Does not agree with the process that was used to purchase six rifles for the Police Department. Felt that the Council should have been involved in the decision. Disagrees with the City of Norway Police Departments need for six rifles. Police Chief was asked how the value of Police Departments fire arms is figured out for the sale of used rifles.

Bal - Police Chief was asked who the fire arms expert is?

Hayes - Would like to have a recommendation for the Electric Utility Rates at the next meeting. Support the disposal of City of Norway Police Departments fire arms to make money. The question "Why the Police Department purchased six rifles" has been answered. The purchase needed to be in bulk. Norway Police Department has six officers therefore we have six guns.

Bal - Norway is not that bad that we need the equipment that we have.

Schultz - Snow removal on US 2 - sidewalks.

ADJOURN 04-006 A motion was made by Council Member Dierkens, supported by Council Member Mason and unanimously approved to adjourn meeting at 8:40 p.m.

George Bal, Mayor Ray Anderson, City Manager/Clerk